

the real problem. That is that we need to restore federal monies. It is their responsibility as well as ours to produce food. I hope that we don't have to wait for three years for a new administration to get this thing done.

PRESIDENT: We are still debating the Carpenter amendment to the Kremer amendment to LB997, on General File. Are you all through debating the amendment? Senator Simpson.

SENATOR SIMPSON: Mr. President, members of the legislature, I agree with the Carpenter amendment and I think that it is very pertinent. This will make me go for the entire amendment of Senator Kremer's and I think one thing that Senator Carpenter said is not true, that the Lincoln and Omaha Senators are not interested in this. Probably through my continued efforts I am as knowledgeable as anyone here on the irrigation and ground water levels with the exception of Senator Kremer and I am very concerned. I am concerned as a city person who is interested in having food available for the people in my area at a price that they can afford to pay. I think that this is necessary if we are going to keep it this way.

PRESIDENT: Senator Kremer, do you want to comment on the Carpenter amendment? Alright any further discussion? Senator Carpenter, do you have any closing on your amendment? All right, the question is do you want to adopt the Carpenter amendment to the Kremer amendment? If you do vote aye, if not vote no. Simple majority is required. You are voting on the Carpenter amendment to the Kremer amendment. There is a motion to adopt the Carpenter amendment to the Kremer amendment. Have you all voted? This is adopting the Carpenter amendment to the Kremer amendment to 997 on General File. Have you all voted? Clerk will record.

CLERK: 29 ayes, 8 nays Mr. President.

PRESIDENT: The Carpenter amendment is adopted. Then we are back to the Kremer amendment as amended. Senator Carpenter.

SENATOR CARPENTER: Is the bill ready to move now?

PRESIDENT: Just the amendment only sir.

SENATOR CARPENTER: OK.

PRESIDENT: Senator Kremer.

SENATOR KREMER: I move the adoption of the amendment.

PRESIDENT: Any further discussion of the Kremer amendment as amended by Senator Carpenter? Any further discussion? Senator Kremer, do you want to close on the amendment?

SENATOR KREMER: Mr. Chairman, just several closing remarks. What we are doing here today is not an expenditure, it is an investment and I'll tell you why. I have here a very carefully kept bookkeeping record of the installation of 4 center pivot systems, that is a system where the irrigation pipes along with the sprinkler heads move around by themselves around in a circle and irrigate the entire area of land that is built for them. One particular irrigator installed four of these in the past year. He kept a careful record of every penny that he spent. He multiplied the expenditures by 2½% which is the sales tax, the sales tax yielded because of those installations was \$750